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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fees and the examination of the above-identified patent application on the merits, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the claims as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 15 and 18 as follows (a marked-up copy of the claim amendments is provided as an attachment to this Amendment):

15. (Amended-Clean Text) A printed wiring board prepared by using the laminated plate according to claim 13.

18. (Amended) The method for preparing an incombustible resin composition according to claim 17, wherein the metal hydrate includes aluminum hydroxide.

Please add new claim 19 as follows:

---19. A printed wiring board prepared by using the metal-clad laminated plate according to claim 14.---

REMARKS

By the above amendment, the claim 15 has been amended and claim 19 has been added to delete multiple dependency and claim 18 has been amended to correct its dependency.

If there should be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,
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MARKED-UP COPY OF AMENDED CLAIMS

15. (Amended) A printed wiring board prepared by using the laminated plate according to claim 13 [, or the metal-clad laminated plate according to claim 14].

18. (Amended) The method for preparing an incombustible resin composition according to claim 17 [1], wherein the metal hydrate includes aluminum hydroxide.